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RE: Goleta General Plan Annual Progress Report 2006

Dear Ms. Roberts and Ms. Creswell:

This letter transmits the City's annual General Plan progress report pursuant to Government Code Section 65400(2). The Goleta General Plan was adopted on October 2, 2006 and includes a Land Use Element, Open Space Element, Conservation Element, Safety Element, Visual and Historic Resources Element, Transportation Element, Public Facilities Element, Noise Element, and Housing Element.

The City of Goleta has begun implementing the various policies and programs that stem from the plan, as well as conducting consistency analyses of various land use projects and capital projects pursuant to Government Code Sections 65401 and 65402. Moreover, the City has devised and implemented a 5-step process for consideration of any future General Plan amendment requests and has conducted three public workshops and two public meetings of the City Council to update our planning processes and address residual issues that stem from public testimony and Council deliberations during and since the General Plan adoption process. It has been a dynamic time for the City as we conducted further, substantial public outreach.

The City is currently evaluating various policy amendments, in particular, Housing Element policies per State Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) comments that have been proposed

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to the Plan. The City intends to provide OPR with a complete review of both the progress of the amendment and implementation of the various goals and actions of the General Plan in April 2008.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff member, Anne Wells at (805) 961-7500.



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